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EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS : AUSTRALIA, APRIL 1971  
PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Reference No. 6.12



This preliminary statement will be followed by the monthly bulletin *Employment and Unemployment* (Reference No. 6.4) which gives information in greater detail. The figures shown are subject to revision.

The estimates contained herein are based on benchmarks derived from the results of the population census of June 1966. They are obtained from three main sources, namely (a) current payroll tax returns, (b) current returns from government bodies, and (c) some other current returns of employment (e.g. for hospitals); the balance, i.e. unrecorded private employment, is estimated. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. At June 1966 recorded employment obtained from the foregoing sources accounted for about 85 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered, as determined by the census.

Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

The figures in this statement relate only to wage and salary earners, not the total labour force. They therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are employees in agriculture and private domestic service, and some part-time employees.

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT  
(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
Males										
1970 - Mar.	1,080.3	803.4	370.8	267.2	215.8	88.9	18.4	34.7	2,879.6	2,871.8
Apr.	1,082.9	804.2	374.3	(c) 266.3	216.3	89.2	18.9	35.2	(d) 2,887.3	(c) 2,883.3
1971 - Mar.	r 1,111.4	818.7	r 384.2	r 271.9	228.4	89.7	20.2	38.1	2,962.6	2,954.6
Apr.	1,109.3	816.7	386.6	(c) 271.0	228.9	90.1	20.5	38.2	(c) 2,961.2	(c) 2,957.2
Females										
1970 - Mar.	545.3	426.5	167.9	129.1	106.2	39.1	7.7	20.2	1,441.9	1,432.0
Apr.	547.4	426.3	169.4	128.8	106.8	39.6	7.8	20.5	1,446.6	1,443.0
1971 - Mar.	r 571.6	444.5	179.5	r 136.3	114.5	40.8	8.3	22.3	r 1,517.8	r 1,507.5
Apr.	571.9	442.6	180.4	135.2	115.1	40.6	8.4	22.4	1,516.8	1,513.0
Persons										
1970 - Mar.	1,625.6	1,229.9	538.7	396.3	322.0	128.0	26.1	54.9	4,321.5	4,303.0
Apr.	1,630.3	1,230.5	543.7	(c) 395.1	323.1	128.8	26.7	55.7	(c) 4,333.9	(c) 4,326.2
1971 - Mar.	r 1,683.0	1,263.2	r 563.7	r 408.2	342.9	130.5	28.5	60.4	r 4,480.4	r 4,461.4
Apr.	1,681.2	1,259.3	567.0	(c) 406.2	344.0	130.7	28.9	60.6	(c) 4,478.0	(c) 4,470.1

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) For details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1971* (Reference No. 1.10), to be issued shortly. (c) Affected by industrial disputes, r - revised.



TABLE 2. - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVIL  
(Excluding defence forces and

Industry group and sub-group	MARCH 1970			
	Males	Females	Persons	
Forestry, fishing and trapping	13.6	0.5	14.1	
Mining and quarrying	64.0	4.0	67.9	
Manufacturing -	1,022.2	358.9	1,381.1	(c)
Cement, bricks, etc.	50.3	6.0	56.3	
Founding, engineering, metal working -	343.4	77.7	421.1	
Extracting, refining, founding, etc. (a)	90.2	7.4	97.6	
Metal products	101.0	23.2	124.2	
Machinery and parts	99.6	16.1	115.7	
Electronic and electrical apparatus, etc.	52.8	31.0	83.8	
Ships, vehicles, etc.	175.3	19.8	195.0	
Yarns, textiles, etc.	29.9	24.8	54.7	
Clothing and knitted goods	17.6	77.7	95.3	
Food, drink and tobacco	138.3	54.2	192.5	
Sawmilling and wood products	46.0	4.6	50.6	
Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography	79.7	32.1	111.8	
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc.	45.3	16.0	61.3	
Other manufacturing (b)	96.3	46.0	142.3	
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services -	104.5	8.2	112.7	
Gas and electricity	69.1	6.2	75.3	
Water supply, sewerage, etc.	35.4	2.0	37.4	
Building and construction	350.7	15.6	366.3	
Transport and storage -	215.3	26.4	241.7	
Road transport and storage	94.4	11.5	105.9	
Shipping and stevedoring	38.9	3.0	41.8	
Rail transport	58.1	6.1	64.2	
Air transport	23.9	5.9	29.8	
Communication	90.2	26.4	116.6	
Finance and property -	118.6	90.6	209.2	
Banking	54.8	33.7	88.5	
Other finance and property	63.9	56.8	120.7	
Commerce -	417.1	309.7	726.8	
Wholesale trade	181.5	76.1	257.7	
Primary produce dealing, etc.	26.1	7.2	33.3	
Retail trade	209.5	226.4	435.8	
Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	131.0	59.5	190.5	
Community and business services -	243.4	390.5	633.9	
Law, order and public safety	39.4	20.2	59.6	
Religion and social welfare	20.0	20.9	40.8	
Health, hospitals, etc.	44.8	172.8	217.6	
Education	96.5	136.4	232.9	
Other services	42.7	40.3	83.0	
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc. -	108.9	151.6	260.5	
Amusement, sport and recreation	35.2	20.4	55.6	
Hotels, personal service, etc.	73.7	131.2	204.9	
All industry groups	2,879.6	1,441.9	4,321.5	(c)

(a) Includes manufacture of metal rods, bars, sheets, pipes, tubes and wire (except electric). (b) Comprises products of rubber, plastic, glass, etc.; clothing or footwear; rubber goods; musical, surgical and scientific instruments, etc.; plastic products; and



## VILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRY GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS, AUSTRALIA

and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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APRIL 1970			MARCH 1971			APRIL 1971		
Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
13.7	0.5	14.2	13.7	0.5	14.2	13.7	0.5	14.3
64.4	4.0	68.4	68.8	4.7	73.6	68.7	4.8	73.4
(c)1,023.0	358.1	(c)1,381.1	r1,937.1	363.5	r1,400.6	(c)1,035.9	359.3	(c)1,395.2
(c)49.8	6.1	(c)55.9	49.9	6.0	r56.0	49.7	6.0	55.7
344.4	78.9	423.3	r351.6	79.9	r431.5	353.1	80.2	433.3
90.2	7.5	97.7	92.6	7.9	100.5	93.0	7.8	100.8
101.4	23.2	124.6	104.4	24.1	128.5	104.9	24.1	129.0
99.7	16.3	116.0	101.5	16.9	118.4	101.6	17.1	118.7
53.1	31.7	84.8	r53.0	31.0	r84.0	53.5	31.3	84.8
175.9	20.3	196.3	174.3	20.6	194.6	(c)173.8	20.7	(c)194.5
30.1	24.8	54.9	29.8	24.1	53.9	29.4	23.8	53.2
17.7	77.3	95.0	17.8	75.9	93.7	17.9	75.3	93.2
138.3	51.3	189.6	143.0	56.6	199.6	141.6	52.8	194.4
45.8	4.6	50.4	45.4	4.7	50.1	45.5	4.7	50.2
80.1	32.2	112.4	82.1	32.9	115.0	81.9	32.8	114.7
(c)44.7	16.3	(c)60.9	45.2	16.6	61.8	45.1	16.6	61.7
96.1	46.2	142.4	98.0	46.3	144.3	97.8	46.4	144.2
104.8	8.2	113.0	106.7	8.5	115.2	106.8	8.5	115.3
69.2	6.2	75.4	69.6	6.4	76.0	69.6	6.4	76.0
35.6	2.0	37.6	37.1	2.1	39.2	37.2	2.1	39.3
352.9	15.9	368.8	r362.2	17.1	r379.3	361.6	17.2	378.9
217.0	26.8	243.8	r223.6	28.5	r252.0	223.2	28.4	251.6
95.6	11.6	107.2	r99.6	12.5	r112.1	99.3	12.5	111.8
39.5	3.0	42.5	40.1	3.2	43.3	40.0	3.2	43.2
57.7	6.1	63.8	57.7	6.2	63.9	57.8	6.2	63.9
24.1	6.1	30.2	26.1	6.6	32.7	26.1	6.6	32.7
90.2	26.6	116.8	91.8	27.5	119.3	91.9	27.5	119.5
118.5	90.4	208.8	123.4	95.7	219.1	123.5	95.1	218.6
54.7	33.4	88.1	56.9	36.9	93.8	56.8	36.7	93.5
63.8	56.9	120.7	66.5	58.8	125.3	66.7	58.5	125.2
417.8	310.5	728.3	424.2	r322.0	746.2	424.8	322.4	747.2
182.3	76.5	258.8	184.9	80.2	265.2	185.1	80.4	265.5
26.1	7.2	33.3	25.4	6.9	32.3	25.3	6.8	32.2
209.4	226.9	436.3	213.8	234.8	448.7	214.3	235.2	449.5
131.5	60.0	191.5	136.9	63.0	199.8	136.8	62.8	199.6
244.1	393.0	637.1	258.7	r422.7	r681.4	258.5	424.6	683.0
39.3	20.5	59.8	40.5	21.9	62.4	40.6	22.0	62.7
20.0	20.9	40.9	20.2	21.5	41.7	20.2	21.6	41.8
44.7	174.1	218.8	r47.0	r187.7	r234.7	46.9	189.2	236.1
96.8	136.6	233.4	r102.3	r147.1	r249.5	102.3	147.5	249.8
43.3	40.9	84.2	r48.7	44.4	r93.1	48.4	44.2	92.6
109.6	152.6	262.2	r115.4	164.2	r279.6	115.9	165.6	281.4
35.2	20.5	55.8	r35.4	21.7	r57.1	35.4	21.5	56.9
74.3	132.1	206.4	80.0	142.4	222.5	80.5	144.0	224.5
(c)2,887.3	1,446.6	(c)4,333.9	2,962.6	r1,517.8	r4,480.4	(c)2,961.2	1,516.8	(c)4,478.0

products of petroleum and coal; boots, shoes and accessories; furniture, fittings, etc.; jewellery, watchmaking, etc.; skins and leather (other than and other manufacturing. (c) Affected by industrial disputes, r - revised.



**TABLE 3. - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : AUSTRALIA**  
**SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES**

(Excluding defence forces and employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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Month	Total civilian employees			Private/government (persons)		Principal industries (persons)	
	Males	Females	Persons	Private	Government (a)	Manufacturing	Commerce
Original							
1970 - Nov	c2,927.8	c1,494.6	c4,422.4	c3,333.3	c1,089.1	c1,388.1	752.0
Dec	r2,949.9	1,501.2	r4,451.1	r3,349.4	1,101.7	r1,385.1	766.3
1971 - Jan	r2,941.2	r1,487.4	r4,428.6	r3,337.5	1,091.1	r1,386.4	748.2
Feb	r2,956.2	r1,508.8	r4,465.0	r3,358.9	r1,106.1	1,396.0	745.5
Mar	2,962.6	r1,517.8	r4,480.4	r3,372.6	r1,107.8	r1,400.6	746.2
Apr	(c)2,961.2	1,516.8	(c)4,478.0	(c)3,371.4	1,106.6	(c)1,395.2	747.2
Seasonally adjusted (b)							
1970 - Nov	c2,928.3	c1,487.2	c4,415.8	c3,320.4	c1,095.1	c1,385.4	741.7
Dec	r2,936.5	1,495.3	r4,430.2	r3,337.4	1,095.8	r1,390.1	745.6
1971 - Jan	r2,941.7	r1,500.9	r4,442.4	r3,344.4	1,098.3	r1,391.2	746.8
Feb	r2,947.4	r1,504.5	r4,454.0	r3,351.7	r1,100.6	1,391.4	747.9
Mar	2,954.6	r1,507.5	r4,461.4	r3,358.3	r1,103.0	r1,389.3	749.4
Apr	(c)2,957.2	1,513.0	(c)4,470.1	(c)3,368.2	1,102.2	(c)1,391.5	750.6

(a) Includes employees, within Australia, of government bodies on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories, departmental hospitals and institutions, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees. Excludes State and local government employees (4,3 thousand persons in December 1970) engaged in agriculture, or in private homes as employees of government emergency housekeeper services. (b) For details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these and other series see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1971* (Reference No. 1.10), to be issued shortly. (c) Affected by industrial disputes. r - revised

**TABLE 4. - PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA**

(Excluding employees in agriculture and private domestic service)

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	MARCH 1971			APRIL 1971		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Total civilian employees and defence forces	3,043.1	r1,520.5	r4,563.6	(d)3,042.2	1,519.5	(d)4,561.7
Civilian employees	2,962.6	r1,517.8	r4,480.4	(d)2,961.2	1,516.8	(d)4,478.0
Private	r2,145.2	r1,227.4	r3,372.6	(d)2,144.9	1,226.5	(d)3,371.4
Government (a)	r817.4	r290.4	r1,107.8	816.3	290.3	1,106.6
Commonwealth (b)	248.9	89.1	338.0	248.7	88.8	337.4
State (b)	r475.8	r187.9	r663.7	475.1	188.3	663.4
Local	92.7	13.5	106.2	92.5	13.3	105.8
Defence forces (c)	80.5	2.7	83.2	81.0	2.7	83.7

(a) See footnote (a) to Table 3. (b) Includes semi-government bodies. (c) Permanent defence forces in Australia and Overseas. Includes national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement. (d) Affected by industrial dispute. r - revised.

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